



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. FDA-1987-P-0074]

Canned Pacific Salmon Deviating From Identity Standard; Amendment of Temporary Marketing Permit

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is amending Bumble Bee Seafoods Inc.'s temporary permit to market test canned skinless and boneless chunk salmon packed in water that contains sodium tripolyphosphate to inhibit protein curd formation during retorting. The temporary permit is amended to add an additional manufacturing location. This amendment will allow the applicant to continue to test market the test product and collect data on consumer acceptance of the test product.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marjan Morravej, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-820), Food and Drug Administration, 5001 Campus Dr., College Park, MD 20740, 240-402-2371.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the *Federal Register* of July 13, 1987 (52 FR 26186), we issued a notice announcing that we had issued a temporary permit to Bumble Bee Seafoods, Inc., San Diego, CA 92123, to market test products identified as canned skinless and boneless chunk salmon packed in water and containing added sodium tripolyphosphate to inhibit protein curd formation during retorting. The permit allowed for the test product to be manufactured at a plant located in Petersburg, AK. We issued the permit to facilitate market testing of products that deviate from the requirements of the standard of identity for canned Pacific salmon in 21 CFR 161.170, which were issued under section 401 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 341).

In the *Federal Register* of April 8, 1988 (53 FR 11710), we issued a notice announcing that we had amended the temporary permit to permit the test product be manufactured at one additional plant, Chugach Alaska Fisheries, Inc., Ocean Dock Rd., Cordova, AK 99574.

In the *Federal Register* of September 6, 1988 (53 FR 34354), we issued another notice announcing that we were extending the expiration date of the permit to either the effective date of a final rule for any proposal to amend the standard of identity for canned Pacific salmon that may result from the National Food Processors Association's petition, submitted on behalf of Bumble Bee Seafoods, Inc., and other salmon packers holding temporary permits, or 30 days after termination of such proposal.

In the *Federal Register* of April 24, 2020 (85 FR 23047), we issued a notice announcing that we amended the temporary permit to allow for the canned skinless and boneless chunk salmon packed in water with or without sodium tripolyphosphate and to allow the test product to be manufactured only at one plant, Pataya Food Industries Ltd., located at 90/6 Moo 7, Settakit Road, Tambol Tarsai, Amphur Maung, Samutsakorn 74000, Thailand.

Under our regulations at 21 CFR 130.17(f), we are amending the temporary permit issued to Bumble Bee Seafoods, Inc., to allow the test product to be manufactured at an additional plant, RS Cannery Company Limited, located at 255/1 Industrial Soi 3, Bangpoo Industrial Estate, Samutprakarn 10280, Thailand. All other conditions and terms of this permit remain the same.

Dated: November 23, 2020.

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Acting Principal Associate Commissioner for Policy.